

## Message Text

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ACTION EA-10

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FM AMEMBASSY MANILA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5824

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

AMEMBASSY SEOUL

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, EGEN, RP

SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE EXCHANGE RATE--A DEFENDED PESO FIRMS

REF: MANILA 9966

1. IN FARIRLY ACTIVE BUT SPORADIC TRADING THROUGH THE WEEK,  
THE PESO FIRMED SLOWLY, APPEARING TO SETTLE FEFINITELY IN  
THE RANGE OF P7.50 - \$1.00. THE PEAK REACHED EARLY IN THIS  
LOAT WAS P7.650 -\$1.00.

2. COMMENT: MOST SIGNIFICANT FEATURES OF THIS FLOAT HAVE  
BEEN (A) THE CLOSING OF THE CENTRAL BANK REDISCOUNT WINDOW  
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WHICH FORCED PRIVATE BANKS TO SELL FOREX HOLDINGS TO COVER

PESO REQUIREMENTS; AND (B) THE RELATED IF NOT NECESSARILY  
RESULTANT HEAVY DEFENSE OF THE PESO ENTIRELY BY  
PRIVATE FOREIGN BANKS, NOTABLY HONG KONG-SHANGHAI AND  
THE BANK OF AMERICA. THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK,  
VISIBLE IN EARLY TRADING, LEFT THE FIELD ENTIRELY TO PRIVATE  
BANKS AS THE FLOAT PROGRESSED. THE BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE  
ISLANDS (A VATICAN CONNECTION) FIGURED HEAVILY IN DOLLAR  
SALES LATE THIS WEEK. SULLIVAN

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